

RESOLUTION NO. 207-08

BY: **MARY GALINAS**  
(By Request – Mayor)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY AS  
LEAD APPLICANT TO THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT  
OF DEVELOPMENT'S "LOCAL SERVICES AND REGIONAL  
COLLABORATION GRANT PROGRAM", AND DECLARING  
AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, this Council recognizes that by working together and improving best practices, we can achieve efficiencies and economies of scale that can improve services and save taxpayer resources; and

WHEREAS, as part of the State of Ohio's 2008-2009 Budget, the General Assembly included a provision to establish the local Government Services and Regional Collaboration Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the program is designed to provide grants to local governments interested in investigating the possibility of combining and/or collaborating on the provision of local government services with those of other governments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Parma has previously collaborated with cities to study various concepts of regionalism and this grant provides one more avenue of study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to be the lead applicant with other cities as co-applicants to submit an Application for Financial Assistance to the State of Ohio Department of Development's "local Services and Regional Collaboration Grant Program" to seek grant funding for the purposes of a Feasibility Study.

Section 2. For a total of, or for any combination of eight or more municipal corporations, the grant shall be equal to the cost of the feasibility study, not to exceed \$80,000.00 with no matching funds required.

Section 3. That the application will ask for funding for a study to determine the merits of creating a regional police, fire, and EMS dispatch center.

Section 4. That this Council does hereby authorize the Mayor to execute any and all documents necessary to submit to the Ohio Department of Development.

Section 5. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council; and that all deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 6. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary to ensure timely filing of the grant application, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:\_\_\_\_\_ PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:\_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED:\_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH  
THE MAYOR:\_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO